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In re Application of Gerhard Beitel et al. Application No. 09/845,405

: DECISION GRANTING STATUS

: UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)

Filed: April 30, 2001

For: Method for Removing Structures

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) filed August 24, 2001.

The petition under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is granted.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

After the mailing of this decision, the file will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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